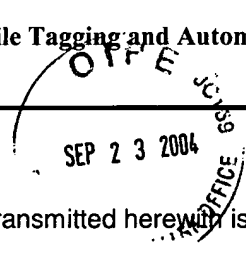

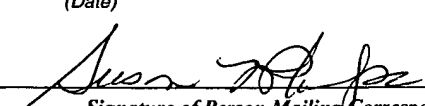


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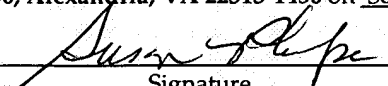
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In response to the Office Action dated July 27, 2004, in the above-identified patent application, reconsideration of the final rejection is respectfully requested for the reasons stated herein. A copy of the list of claims is provided on the subsequent page, and it is noted that applicants have incorporated the material from objected to claim 13 into claim 1 from which all claims now ultimately depend. Following the list of claims,

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please find applicants' response. Claims 28 and 29 have been canceled herein for the purpose of advancing the present prosecution. Accordingly, applicants reserve the right to present these claims in a subsequently filed copending application.